

Scheduled to Serve	Coffee Hr. Schedule		
<b>Elders</b>	Becky &	12/2	
<b>Deacons</b>	Jim & Cheryl Prokop	12/10	Sharin M, Connie S.
<b>Online Tech Audio</b>	Youssef Demsisi Jon Hardy	12/24	Matt & Christy Q
<b>Guest Musician and Special Music</b>	Kaeren Steele Fouts	12/31	Cathy & Nick S.

Building/Reader Board		
<b>Wk. 1</b>	Nick Shultz	Nick S.
<b>Wk. 2</b>	Jim Harwood	Dennis B. Becky B.
<b>Wk. 3</b>	Jim Hartshorn	Jim H.
<b>Wk. 4</b>	Dennis Boyd	Ed B.
<b>Sub</b>	Herb S. Curtis Y.	Herb S., Curtis Y.

### Announcements

**Today: Merry Christmas!!**

**Dec. 25, Monday:** Office Closed

**Dec. 26, Tuesday:** Office Closed

**Wednesday:** Adult Study Class.

**Jan. 1,** Office Closed

**Jan 2,** Prayer Group, 10 am.

**Jan. 2,** After School Arts, 4 pm.

**Jan. 7,** Potluck dinner, after service.

**Jan. 16,** Camp Hope dinner.

**Jan. 20,** "Comradery" Breakfast (at Englewood in the Fellowship Hall)

**The last Sunday of each month is Food Bank Sunday.** Drop off your donations of non-perishable food in the grocery cart in the Narthex. Paul and Sharon Brunn will deliver those items which are much needed and appreciated to the Yakima Rotary Food Bank.

### ENGLEWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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**Ken Allman:** Custodian

## Englewood Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

December 24, 2023 -10:45 AM



Rev. David Helseth, Rev. Doyle Hardy

### Welcome Guests and Visitors

We are glad you're here!

Please fill out the friendship pad so we can send you a welcome letter.

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*

## Gathering the Body of Christ

### Chimes

### Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

*“Inventio #VI111, F Major”*  
J.S. Bach

Rev. David Helseth

Kaeren Steele Fouts

## WE GATHER

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: The nine months of waiting for the birth has almost arrived. The birth pangs are more frequent and pronounced.

**People: The years of waiting and anticipating for the Messiah seem so magnified.**

**The pangs of creation and humanity seem to be growing in intensity.**

Leader: The darkness seems so deep; the cries of violence and wounds of war surround us. Creation moans for healing.

**People: Yet, we see a light growing in the distance; is now the time?**

**Is the night almost over?**

Leader: Let us get ready. Let us prepare ourselves. Let's light the candles.  
Let's sing a song of joyful anticipation.

### Invocation: (unison)

**Expectant God, our Creator and Redeemer, we long in anticipation for your coming. In this hour of worship, help us to prepare ourselves in body, mind and spirit. Come and be present among us as we long for the birth and rebirth that you bring. Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn** *“Christians All, Your Lord is Coming”* #136

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath** (see insert)

### Sharing Joys and Concerns

### Prayers of the People

### Lord's Prayer (in unison)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## WE HEAR

### Special Music

“O Holy Night”

Adolphe Adam

Kaeren Steele Fouts

### The Written Word

Luke 1:26-38

### The Spoken Word

*“Hope, Peace, Joy, Love”*

Rev. David Helseth

Rev. Doyle Hardy

### Hymn

*“Joy to the World”*

#143

### Reading

(see insert)

### Hymn

*“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”*

#150

### Reading

*“For All Who Give You a Face”*

#157

### Hymn

*“What Child is This”*

#162

### Unison Prayer

(see insert)

### Hymn

*“Away in a Manger”*

#147

## WE RESPOND

### Invitation to Stewardship

(Please take your offerings forward at the time of communion)

### Prayer of Dedication

### Call to Communion

Pastor: All are welcome at the Table of the Lord.

**People: Everyone has a place at Christ's Table.**

### Communion Hymn

*“Emmanuel, Emanuel”*

#134x2

### Communion Prayer

Elder

### Partaking of Communion (All are welcome at Christ's Table)

Please move to the front of the Sanctuary as you are able. If you require assistance, remain seated and a Deacon will serve you.

### Hymn

*“O, Come All Ye Faithful”*

(see insert)

## WE GO FORTH

### \*Closing Hymn

*“Go Tell it on the Mountain”*

#167

### Benediction

Pastor

### Postlude

*“Hallelujah Chorus”*

Adolphe Adam

Kaeren Steele Fouts